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buys a lease or any interest in a lease may use information, such as appraisals or inspections, provided by the originating or lead lessor, or any intermediary seller or broker; however, the buying Farm Credit System institution must independently evaluate such information when exercising its judgment. The independent judgment must be documented by a payment analysis that considers factors set forth in §616.6300. The payment analysis must consider such financial and other lessee information as would be required by a prudent lessor and must include an evaluation of the capacity and reliability of the servicer. Boards of directors of jointly managed institutions must adopt procedures to ensure the interests of their respective shareholders are protected in participation between such institutions.

(e) Sales with recourse. When a lease

- (e) Sales with recourse. When a lease or interest in a lease is sold with recourse:
- (1) For the purpose of determining the lending and leasing limit in subpart J of part 614 of this chapter, the lease must be considered, to the extent of the recourse or guaranty, a lease by the buyer to the seller, and in addition, the seller must aggregate the lease with other obligations of the lessee; and
- (2) The lease subject to the recourse agreement must be considered an asset sold with recourse for the purpose of computing capital ratios.
- (f) Similar entity lease transactions. The provisions of §613.3300 of this chapter that apply to interests in loans made to similar entities apply to interests in leases made to similar entities. In applying these provisions, the term "loan" shall be read to include the term "lease" and the term "principal amount" shall be read to include the term "lease amount."

§616.6200 Out-of-territory leasing.

A System institution may make leases outside its chartered territory.

§ 616.6300 Leasing policies, procedures, and underwriting standards.

The board of each institution engaged in lease underwriting must adopt a written policy (or policies). Management, at the direction of the board,

must develop procedures that reflect lease practices that control risk and comply with all applicable laws and regulations. Any leasing activity must comply with the lending policies and loan underwriting requirements in §614.4150 of this chapter. An institution engaged in the making, buying, or syndicating of leases also must adopt written policies and procedures that address the additional risks associated with leasing. Written policies and procedures must address the following, if applicable:

- (a) Appropriateness of the lease amount, purpose, and terms and conditions, including the residual value established at the inception of the lease;
- (b) Process for estimating the leased asset's market value during the lease term:
- (c) Types of equipment and facilities the institution will lease;
- (d) Remarketing of leased property and associated risks;
- (e) Property tax and sales tax reporting:
- (f) Title and ownership of leased assets:
- (g) Title and licensing for motor vehicles;
- (h) Liability associated with ownership, including any environmental hazards or risks;
- (i) Insurance requirements for both the lessor and lessee:
- (j) Classification of leases in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; and
- (k) Tax treatment of lease transactions and associated risks.

§616.6400 Documentation.

Each institution must document that any asset it leases is within its statutory authority.

§616.6500 Investment in leased assets.

An institution may acquire property to be leased that is consistent with current or planned leasing programs.

§616.6600 Leasing limit.

All leases made by Farm Credit System institutions shall be subject to the lending and leasing limit in subpart J of part 614 of this chapter.